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BIODEGRADABLE POLYESTER RESIN COMPOSITION.

BIODISINTEGRABLE RESIN COMPOSITION, AND MOLDED OBJECTS OF

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, entry of the following amendments is requested:

#### In the Specification:

At page 1, before the section titled "Technical Field", please add the following paragraph:

-This application is a divisional application of U.S. Patent

Application Ser. No. 09/485.002, filed on January 31, 2000, which

is incorporated by reference in its entirety.

### In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-29 and 36-67.

#### REMARKS

In the parent application, a restriction/election requirement was made on June 19,